



Seventh & James Baptist Church
June 2, 2024 · 11:00 a.m.
The Second Sunday after Pentecost

One: The Sabbath is a window into eternity, a vision of the likeness of the divine.

All: This hour may we receive the gifts of Sabbath.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Leslie Rosencrans

Old Testament Reading

Deuteronomy 5:12-15

John Segrest

Epistle Reading

2 Corinthians 4:5-12

Dawn Segrest

Hymn, No. 243

“Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart”

Gospel Reading

Mark 2:23-3:6

Scott Turner

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

Many: Thanks be to God.

Prayers of God’s People

Scott Turner

Offertory

“The Lone, Wild Bird”

(PROSPECT)
Wilbur Held

During the offertory, we invite you to prayerfully consider your stewardship of all the resources God is entrusting to you. The work of God at Seventh & James is dependent on the financial generosity and volunteer service of its members and friends. Offering plates are available at the doors of the sanctuary as you leave worship. Join us as you respond to God’s call.

Doxology, No. 707

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God, above ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Children’s Sermon

Leslie Rosencrans

*All children are invited to come forward for the Children’s Sermon.
Preschoolers [ages 4-kindergarten] may then go to Extended Session.*

Responsive Reading of Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18

Daniel Farris

One: O Lord, you have searched me and known me.

Many: You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from far away.

One: You search out my path and my lying down, and are acquainted with all my ways.

Many: Even before a word is on my tongue, O Lord, you know it completely.

One: You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me.

Many: Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot attain it.

One: For it was you who formed my inward parts; you knit me together in my mother's womb.

Many: I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; that I know very well.

One: My frame was not hidden from you, when I was being made in secret, intricately woven in the depths of the earth.

Many: Your eyes beheld my unformed substance. In your book were written all the days that were formed for me, when none of them as yet existed.

One: How weighty to me are your thoughts, O God! How vast is the sum of them!

All: I try to count them -- they are more than the sand; I come to the end -- I am still with you.

Anthem

“Here Am I, Send Me”

John Purifoy

Here am I, send me, unto thee, willingly, yielded I come.

Show the path that I must walk, compel me then to go,

And if I stray, bring back the light of day, for here am I, send me I pray.

Send me to be what's created in me. Formed in your image, I stand.

Turn my weakness into your power, power to be at last all I'm able to be.

Here am I, send me. Precious Holy Spirit, come, fill me anew.

Give me wisdom, send me strength, grant that I may be a mirror

Of your never ending love, for here am I, send me I pray.

Send me to be what's created in me. Formed in your image, I stand.

Turn my weakness into your power, power to be at last all I'm able to be.

For here am I, send me I pray.

Silent Reflection

To rest, go to the woods
Where what is made is made
Without your thought or work.
Sit down; begin the wait
For small trees to grow big,
Feeding on earth and light.
Their good result is song
The winds must bring, that trees
Must wait to sing, and sing
Longer than you can wait.
Soon you must go. The trees,
Your seniors, standing thus
Acknowledged in your eyes,
Stand as your praise and prayer.
Your rest is in this praise
Of what you cannot be
And what you cannot do.

— Wendell Berry, *This Day: Collected & New Sabbath Poems*, pg.125

Hymn of Commitment, No. 378

“We Gather Here in Grateful Praise”

*If you would like to make a public profession of your faith in Christ
or request membership in this congregation, our ministers
will greet you at the front of the sanctuary.*

Congregational Response

In response to your decision, we pledge ourselves to be the family of God for you in this place; we offer you our love, our care, our kinship, and our hopes; we hope to learn from you, give to you, and receive from you, by God’s grace. Amen.

Pastoral Blessing

Matt Rosencrans

Choral Response

“Depart Now”

Ed Wilson

Depart now and as you go remember
It's in the goodness of God that you were born into this world.
And by the mercy of God you have been kept all through the day,
And through the love of God seen in the face of Christ,
That you are being redeemed. Amen.

Postlude

“Festive Trumpet Tune”

David German

Today at Seventh

Our Pianist today is Tommy Edds.

Hearing devices are available at the sound booth for any who need assistance.

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